I do not agree with the petioner. Radio Amateurs should remain at the state of the art in all things, including the repair of surface mount assemblies. We need the most advanced equipment in the hands of the volunteer Radio service. We want manufacturers of all radios to use the most advanced techniques in design and manufacture of these radios. I agree that radio manufacturers should publish repair methods, and make replacement parts and/or modules available to those who wish to make their own repairs.